1875

(Grant)

File No 5 Sh. 1612.

Conservancy Establishment for
the Sawar and Barr Lines

1875.

From The Chief Commissioner

To The Chief Engineer, Rajkot

Secretary to Chief Commissioner,
General Department

Dated Camp Chotila the 24th Sept 1875

Despatched

Received 27th Sept 1875

ENCLOSURES NO. One.

General No. 4[illegible]
Fin'l No. 1m 5.C. } 1875-76.

Requesting Chief Commissioner's sanction to the retention in Government service of Shaikh Ibrahim Kadir at Rs 105 per mensem required for the Khirsa and Bora Lines of Rajkot.

Under date the 21st Sept 1875 Shaikh Ibrahim Kadir Rs 105 per mensem Head Sarangee attached to the Rajkot Agency Police Force is reported by the Assistant Political Agent in charge of Rajkot to be in possession of a Certificate of Character from the Political Agent Kathiawar dated 1st April 1875 and to be a trustworthy man. By the rules for the Accountability of the Subordinate Establishments and Conduct of Business in the Offices of Superintendents of Police Shaikh Ibrahim Kadir appears to be entitled to the appointment of Head Sarangee by the Superintendent of Police Rajkot on the Rajkot Agency Police Establishment.

Military Department Office
Franch. Municipal 5th August 1895.

Journal No. 469
Firmanel No. 128.

To,
The Officer Secretary
to the Chief Commissioner
of Agra &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that in view of placing the Inner of the Cillahdar Horse and Foot in more satisfactory Condition as regards Cavalry and general Clothing Dr Arnold requested me to inspect them in Company with him on the 28th Instno.

2 Dr Arnold has submitted a report on the Sanitary Condition of the

their further Engagement on this
Inspection, Copy of which Report
has Mr Saunders's been sent to
the Deputy Surgeon General,
through whom it will doubtless
reach the Chief Commissioners.
I need not therefore say any
further to their Report than
to remark that I entirely
agree with Dr Arnold in his
lamentation of the inadequacy
of the present Establishment, and the
of Cleanliness generally throughout the Line.

3. Prior to Dr McCausland's
visit all the sick written Casts
Boards of Invalids which the
Commissariat had been in the habit
of using as Patients had been
reduced

annexed to be filled up
work like an estimate established
by the practice of proceeding
without delay for the emer-
gency; more particularly as
the Medical Officers attend-
-ed the approach of Cholera
Should I obtain upon urgency
to entertain the extra establish-
-ment as per margin at a
1 Overseer — 20 Cost of 105 Rupees per
10 Scavengers at 7 Rupees each 70. mensem to which I
1 Hired Cart & Bullocks — 15 beg you will be so
Rupees 105 good as to obtain the
sanction of the Offg. Chief
Commissioner. Also beg to
append Copy of a Memorandum
of instructions which I have
issued on the subject and
which will I hope suffice
to meet all present requirements

5th. Shall endeavour hereafter to arrange an adequate Conveyance established without further reference to Government.

In considering this question I have not thought it necessary to provide for the numerous lines of communication which equally with those under reference are inadequately supplied, and have not the advantage of periodical inspection of Medical Officers.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

W. Howard

Military Secretary

Memorandum

The Mercers Company

of Liverpool 20.

6 Sweepers to Tower lines

8 Sweepers (in Baltic) to Bute lines

4 Keepers each Port and Bollocks

for Tower lines to be maintained

from 1st August as a temporary

arrangement in anticipation of

sanction of the Chief Commissioners.

The Mercers duty will

be to see both Tower and Bute

lines properly cleaned, and he

must inspect both lines daily

the Tower lines Requiring more

attention at present than the

Bute

Bullock's & the messes will
thereby lose time to those.

He must see that no
filth is left in any of the bows
or Court yards, and he must Re=
port daily to the Apothecary and
to the Regimental that all is Cor=
rect. If necessary the Apothecary
will report to the Military Assistant
(or in his absence to the Adjutant)
any irregularity or want of Clean=
liness.

The Apothecary must ins=
pect both lines at least once
a week and report himself done
so to the Military Assistant.

Signed R. C. Stewart
Military Assistant

Bangalore
4th April 1875.

Copy.

Copy of the foregoing is forwarded to the Adjutant of the Mysore Force for information.—

Signed R. C. Stewart

Military Assistant

Bangalore
2nd August 1875.

Copy

W. Duncan Peachey

Brevet

For Military Assistant

1/C-78

1875

3983/224

~~From~~

To The Military Asst. to the Chief Comm.

Dated 13th August

Despatched 14

Received

ENCLOSURES NO

File No. 5

Series 1875

General No. 3983/1875-76.

Genl. No. 224

Your letter No. 469 dated 13th Instant, reporting certain arrangements made for placing the lines of the Sillahdar horse and Barr at Bangalore in a more satisfactory condition as regards Conservancy and cleanliness, and requesting sanction to the entertainment of an Extra establishment at a cost of Rs. 105 per mensem for the purpose.

With reference to the above, conveys sanction to the entertainment of the Extra

1.

as marginally specified, at a cost of Rupees 105 per mensem provisionally for one month from the 1st August, to be reduced afterwards as the Military Asst may be able to suggest.

By Order

For Offg. Secretary.

No. 3984
D 677
Copy to Deputy Accountant General.

	Rs.
1 Overseer	20
10 Scavengers at 7/ each	70
1 Hired Cart & Bullocks	15
Rupees	105

C-78

No 111

1875

From The Military Assistant to the Chief Commissioner.

To

Secretary to Chief Commissioner
General Department.

Dated 23rd September

Despatched

Received 24 Sep 75

ENCLOSURES NO. 111

General No 1004 / 1875
Dept. No. 186 / 76.

In acknowledging the receipt of docket No 3983 of the 13th ultimo, forwarding Chief Commissioner's sanction to the cost of Rs. 774 a year for the conservancy of Schools and being pleased to draw from the Public Works and Road Repairs.

What is the "Repair Fund" which seems distinct from the Stable fund, the bills relate to the repair of the lines, the latter of a different nature.
Sig. H 25/9

The address and description of the Repair fund has been obtained from the Regt assent.
The following Sweepers and Scavengers are paid from the Stable fund
1 Overseer
4 Sweepers
1 Bullock
Rs 57
Other Sweepers are paid from the Repair fund

Military Secretary's Office
Montreal 2nd September 1865

General — No. 664
Secret & C. 186 5th 1865.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 3283/224 of the 13th Ultimo and, in reply, to state that I do not think any reduction possible in the extra establishment sanctioned therein provisionally for nine months for the Occupancy of the Barracks (now without a tenant) by the Detachment of the Canadiens ——

2 The expenditure referred to will be in addition to the ordinary charge against the "Stable Guard" of the Home Establishment and I request you will cause such proceedings to be taken as the Commissariat may deem necessary for the purpose of being accordingly debited for the

the

Memorandum

In 1870 the question arose whether a small rent should not be levied on the huts of the Pawr sepoys to cover in some measure the cost of repairs which were executed by Government.

The Military Assistant then reported that the pay of the Sepoys was so small that no deduction could be made from their pay on account of rent.

No $\frac{352}{25}$ of 5th Augt to Secy PW D —

The Chief Commissioner coincided in the above opinion but observed that the sepoys might keep them in repair, a small allowance being given as required and the work carried out by the men themselves

No 5416 of 10th Augt from Secy. PW D to Dy. Acc. & Genl

In 1872 the Chief Engineer requested information whether some arrange=

=ments

ments could not be made by which... sepoys would take a personal interest in their houses, whereby the heavy expense to Government might be, practically avoided.

Docket No 351 of 11th Nov: 187. from Chief Engineer to Military Assistan

In reply the Military Assistant suggested that 2 annas per mensem should be levied on each hut to cover ordinary repairs, which was sanctioned in General Secretary's docket $\frac{5222}{133}$ of the 13th December 1872, and from which the repair fund originated.

Docket No $\frac{606}{100}$ of 15th Nov: 1872 from Milty. Asst to Chief Engineer

It has hitherto been utilized only for repairs to Burn sepoys huts

The amount received per mensem on account of this fund is on an average of Rupees 1110 per mensem. ——

M Stewart

Military Assistant

Bangalore
4th Oct: 1875

Reg. # 4271
5-10-75

Respectfully,

5/10/75

Submitted
BWS
5/10/75

6117

338

From

To The Military Assistant to the Chief Commr

Dated 26th Octr 1875

Despatched

Received

ENCLOSURES NO 2 — 1 —

General No. 6117

Yr No. 338

Your Letter No. 667 of 23rd Octr.

In reply conveying the Chief Commrs sanction to the entertainment temporarily of the proposed Establishment for a further period of 3 months from 1st Septr 1875, the cost being debitable to the "Stable & Repair" Funds respectively in the proportion shown below

1 Overseer monthly offering Rs 10		debitable to the "Stable Funds"
2 Overseers @ Rs 42		
2 Cart & Bullocks	15	
	Rs 67	
Other monthly charges Overseer's pay	10	debitable to the Repair
	Rs 77	

4.

The Right Honble
Commissioners of Inland
Revenue Office of Excise
have been attained,
& Directors & a Court
of Directors ought to
subsist for the due
Administration of the
Excise —

B. Arden

Chas Lucas Esq.

6112 —
D 1132

C. 199

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1876.

From The Military Assistant to the Chief Commissioner

To Secretary to Chief Commissioner,
General Department.

Dated Chief Municipal 12th January

Despatched 14th do

Received

ENCLOSURES NO. 1 to 7

General No. 228 } 1876. 76.
Police No. 14

With reference to docket C. 199
of the 2nd October 1875, requesting
to be informed whether it is
the Chief Commissioner's wish
that the Corporal Gunner
should be discharged.

Can in my note on the 1st page
below, recommended that the Corporal
not done away, as a needless
cost. In lieu of which, I
suggested that he be returned,
& if desired, a Sergeant or Bombardier
Gunner on 8 Rs per mensem

GS. H

HH

Military Assistant's Office
Camp, Simoga 10th January
1876.

General No: 1028
Financial No 147

To,
The Officer Secretary
to the Chief Commissioner

Sir,

With reference to
your Docket No 6117 of the
388
26th October 1875 sanctioning
the temporary employment
for a further period of
3 months from 1st September
of the Conservancy Establishment therein alluded to.
I have the honor to request
information whether it
is the Chief Commissioners
wish that the Overseers
& Sanitary

should be discharged —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obt. Servt.

W. H. Seward

Hon. Mary Assistant

C. 78.

1876.

№ 8395
1724

From

To The Military Assistant.

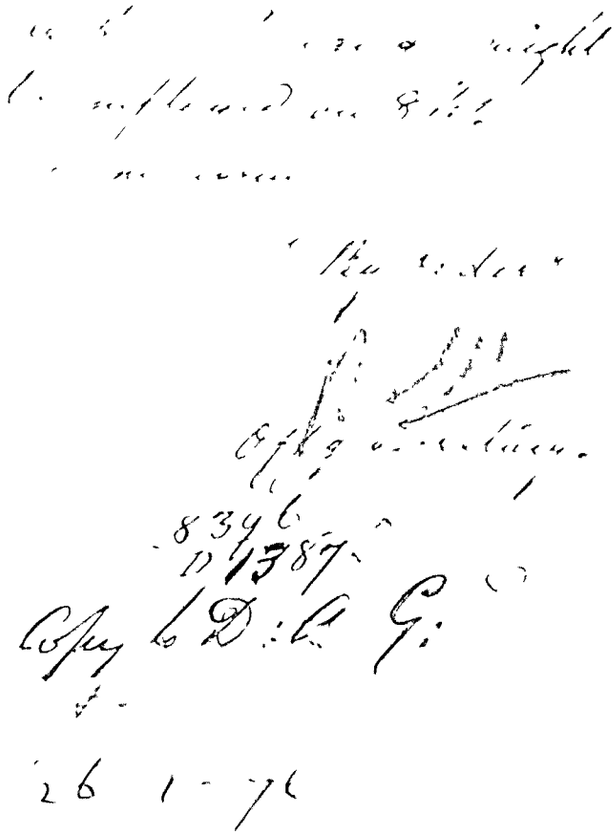
Dated 29th January. 1876
Despatched 7½ P.M. Today
Received

ENCLOSURES NO. 1

General No. 8395 & 1875. 76.
Sl No. 1724

Your letter № 1028
dated the 12th Instant, 147.
enquiring whether it is the
Offg Chief Commr's wish
that the services of the
Overseer in connection with
the temporary Conservancy
Establishment sanctioned
for the Sowar and Barr
Lines at Bangalore, are to be
dispensed with.

In reply states that
the Offg Chief Commr thinks
that the services of the
Overseer can very well be
dispensed with, and that
in lieu of 6 Sweepers 4
should be retained
If desired a 5th may



P.C. of Conservancy

Letter from Mr Stewart to P.C. No 849
88
of 11 Nov 1875

Gentlemen

The principal points submitted for
decision in these papers relate to the
Agency by which the Trees
shall be kept in repair, and
the means best suited for
carrying on the annual repairs of
these Tanks -
As regards the Tank of the Sulledan Peta
which there are at present 666
Trees
The Chief Engineer estimates the cost of
the first annual planting and repair of
the Sulledan Tanks at Rs 6 per tank thus
Rs 3960 the aggregate per annum
This cost will fully cover the Tanks which
are planted by the Sulledans per their tank at the
rate of 8 As per mensem or Rs 6 per annum.
But an additional charge must be carried in
maintaining the Conservancy Establishment
appears as per margin, and the total cost
appears to be estimated at Rs 125 making Rs 1500
per annum. Major Stewart recommends this
an appropriate charge to the Salute of Rs 1540
Report & made by the Govt to defray the Expense
of Conservancy from the Land Revenue.
As regards the Bangalore Tanks, the cost of keeping
the 1206 tanks at the Sulledan average

At Bangalore.
1 Overseer - 20.
1 Cutti - 15
4 Peons at 7/- 28 63.
At Mysore
1 Overseer - 10.
3 Peons at 7/- 21 31
At Shimoga.
1 Overseer - 10.
3 Peons at 7/- 21 31
total per annum Rs 125

Cutcherry Establishment, as Estimated at Rs. 7236 - Deducting the Amount collected on account of Cutcherry Charges levied at the rate of 2 annas per Rupee, on Rs 1809, the total Charges of the proposed Establishment will be reduced to Rs 5427 - to which must be added the Expence of the Conservancy Establishment.

The annual Repair of Huts &c is estimated at Rs 6000 and of Barracks & Mess Rooms, Rs 2000.

The aggregate Amount of the Expence of Public Buildings is Rs 9967; or in round Numbers, Rs 10,000.

The Officers Commanding Corps and the Executive Engineer have recommended Expences under the several heads; and have in aggregate of Rs 6500 which will be necessary.

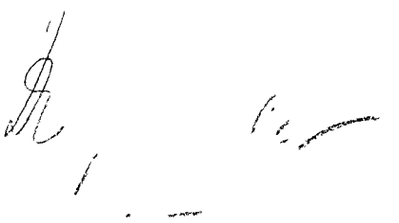
Soldiers Lines	—	1000
Barr Lines	—	4000
Huts	—	700
Mess Rooms	—	800
	Rs	6500

The Conservancy and Repair of Buildings has hitherto been carried on by Contract, but from the irregularity & inefficiency of this System, the Repairs have not been made as frequently as necessary, and the Premises have not been kept in a clean & healthy state.

~~Lieut. Colonel~~ The Officer Commanding Royal Engineers has the honour to report that the Engineer Officer ~~of~~ Royal Engineers has been instructed to ~~be consulted~~ [illegible] Buildings hitherto due to the Board of Officers Establishment - So far as his duties in connection with the Buildings in Royal Engineers Occupation are concerned, the Executive Officer Royal Engineers has no objection to the proposed alterations in the Engineer Office ~~Quarters~~ and the Officer Commanding Royal Engineers directs attention to the Sanction of the Govt. of India, to the sum of Rs 6500 per annum being placed at the disposal of the Royal Engineers Budget Estimates under the head "Building Buildings" under the head "IV Public Buildings & Roads" for the repair and

× the proposed alterations in the Executive Officer's Office of the MES being obtained therefore necessary in the preparation of designs and estimates;

To.
The Military Asst.
Commrs. of Divisions
Secy: P. W. Dept.
Accountant General.



1876.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

GENERAL.

To

THE MILITARY ASSISTANT

Dated March 28*th*.

Despatched

Received

No. 10199.
Genl. 2129.

Military Assistant's report regarding the repair, &c. of the Savar and Barr Lines in the Province.—Passing orders thereon.

Proceedings of the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, General Department, 28th March 1876.

From the Military Assistant to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, To the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore. Public Works Department, Genl No. 849—P. W. D. 88, dated Bangalore, 11th November 1875.

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of the Chief Commissioner my report upon the correspondence* enclosed with your docket No. 1485 of the 29th June.

* 5 Enclosures herewith returned.

2. Those documents refer to a report made by me in my letter of the 23rd March 1875, No. 1287, on the present unsatisfactory arrangements for hutting the Local Troops, and submitting certain propositions for your consideration.

3. In the main these propositions were—That hutting rules on a modified scale to those universal in the Madras Army should be made applicable to the Local Force, or that all the huts should be transferred bodily to the men in occupation of them, and that the men themselves should execute all repairs: periodical inspections being insisted on by the Regimental Officers, and on relief of Regiments a close examination made by an Officer of the Public Works Department, and all damage, plainly the result of neglect, made recoverable from the Regiment.

4. The Committee ordered by the Chief Commissioner to report upon the general question recommended—

I. That the huts remain the property of Government, but be given to the men free of rent on the understanding that they be kept in repair by the occupants.

II. That the men be not held responsible for work in burnt bricks and chunam, but that they should execute all repairs to mud walls and those made of sun-dried brick and clay.

III. That on relief of Regiments a Committee be convened to report on repairs for which occupants are liable on account of having neglected their huts, the Military Assistant determining the amount to be assessed.

IV. That future lines be constructed of mud with stone uprights.

5. The Chief Engineer in his notes on this report did not approve of the recommendation of the Committee to build huts of mud, but considered that they should be of sun-dried brick and clay, and he advocated a system of rewards to be paid to those men who, at periodical inspections had their houses in good order.

6. I do not agree with the opinion of the Committee that the lines should remain the property of Government and be given to the men free of rent on the condition that they keep them in repair, because such arrangement would not give to the men a personal interest in their huts, which, when submitting my original propositions, was the object I had in view, and because with the very limited material at my disposal I felt that I could not rely on proper repairs being executed to huts at outstations where very little supervision could be exercised.

7. As regards the Chief Engineer's remarks, I agree in thinking huts of sun-dried brick preferable to clay, but I am not prepared to coincide on the subject of rewards. It is to be remembered that the classes from which the men of the Local Force are drawn are by no means accustomed to either cleanliness or order. They are without pride as to the neatness of their dwellings, they are too unthrifty to care to take the commonest precautions against premature dilapidation, and their prejudices as regards their families necessitate a mode of life conducive to accumulation of filth.

8. I do not think that any system of rewards would induce these persons to depart from habits which they had grown up in, and in which they themselves find no inconvenience, nor do I think that the hope of getting one rupee or two at a quarterly inspection would induce many men to systematically keep their houses in repair. Moreover, if such a system of rewards were introduced, it would I think be very difficult to decide between those who habitually kept their abodes in order, and those who merely added a little cowdung and white-wash the day before the inspection, living in the interim in their customary dirt; and this difficulty would be increased at outstations where the decision was necessarily left to Native Officers.

9. But for one essential point, I should still abide by my original opinion of handing over all the huts to the men, but on further consideration, and after consultation with the Medical Officer on the subject of conservancy, I think on sanitary grounds it would be objectionable to do so.

10. It certainly is not advisable to perpetuate the state of filth to which the men are habituated, and on these grounds I deem it better to abandon entirely my former proposition, and to recommend the retention by Government of the houses of the Local Force, and the institution of conservancy arrangements which will necessitate some of the most ordinary observances of cleanliness.

11. Having thus retired the propositions I originally submitted, and acknowledged the necessity o retaining the buildings under reference as Government property, it is incumbent on me to consider and to report upon the following three points :—

First.—The approximate expenditure which Government will have to incur per annum for repair of huts.

Second.—The best mode of executing such repairs.

Third.—The best mode of guarding the Government against undue expenditure on account of repairs consequent upon neglect.

12. As regards the first point, I take the case of the Savar lines first : I have caused to be prepared, and herewith submit a statement of the original expenditure, and average cost of repairs per annum since first construction of all the huts in the Province, and a reference to it will shew the Chief Commissioner that only in one instance has the expenditure on account of repairs over a series of years exceeded the average of rupees 6 per annum on each hut, and in that instance only by 1½ annas.

13. As the huts which were originally constructed at Bangalore and Mysore have of late years undergone considerable repairs—in the former instance almost entire reconstruction, and as the huts just completed at Shimoga are built of sun-dried bricks instead of mud, it may be fairly assumed that the future expenditure will not exceed the past. It may possibly happen that a specially severe season like that of 1874 may necessitate an increased expenditure, but over a term of say 10 years, I do not think that the average will be more than rupees 6.

14. There are 660 Savars' huts in the Province. The average cost of repair at rupees 6 per annum of these huts may therefore be assumed to be rupees 3,960 or in round numbers rupees 4,000.

15. Government now takes 8 annas rent per mensem or rupees 6 per annum from each Savar, which sum is placed in a fund entitled the " Stable Fund," and from which hitherto all repairs to stables and huts have been executed as far as it permits.

16. What I now propose is that this fund shall no longer be used for repairs to stables, but retained exclusively for those to huts, when, should my calculation of expenditure in former years be correct, it may be assumed that the accumulated rents of 8 annas per hut or 6 Rupees should provide for the repairs to Savars' huts.

17. I however think that the conservancy establishments are legitimate charges against this fund, and I propose that the following establishment be in future maintained at the stations of Bangalore, Mysore and Shimoga :—

	Bangalore.		Mysore.		Shimoga.		Total.
	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	Rs.
Overseer	1	20	1	10	1	10	40
Cart	1	15	0	0	0	0	15
Totis	4	28	3	21	3	21	70
					Total Sum of Rs.....		125 per mensem.

This sum therefore must be deducted from the amount received annually to credit of the fund. There thus remains a balance available for repairs of Rs. 2,460 from the fund. All extra expenditure on this account would have to be met by Government and I calculate that this liability of Government for repairs to Savars' huts should not be more than rupees 1,540 per annum.

18. The stables which I propose should in future be repaired by the Government are all pukka buildings and the cost of repairs hitherto since erection has been rupees 2,921 or an average of rupees 365 per annum. I think therefore that I may assume that rupees 1,000 will cover all annual liability under this head.

19. As regards the Barr huts of which there are 1,206 and upon which Government levies a rent of 2 annas per hut, amounting to rupees 1,809 per annum, the statement above referred to will shew that the highest average on account of repairs is rupees 5—11—7. This was in the instance of the Kolar huts which have been almost entirely reconstructed. I think I may therefore safely assume that the average expenditure on Barr huts will not in future exceed that sum. Putting it, however, at the same rate as that proposed for the Savar lines or rupees 6 per annum, the expenditure to Government

will be about rupees 7,236 per annum ; making the deduction on account of rent received for Barr huts, the expenditure will be about rupees 5,427.

20. The conservancy establishments I propose to organize are as follows :—

	Bangalore.		Mysore.		Shimoga.		Kolar.		Hassan.		Chitaldroog.		Chikmagalur.		Total.
	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	Rs.
Totis..	8	56	5	35	5	35	2	14	2	14	2	14	2	14	182

But as is customary in the Barr these men will be entertained as Sepoys, and will cause no additional expense.

21. Under this arrangement the approximate expenditure on repairs will be as follows :—

Savar huts	.. Rs 1,540	Stables	..	Rs. 1,000
Barr huts	. do 5,427	Places of Arms	..	do 2,000
			Total..	do 9,967

22. This expenditure has an increasing tendency for huts are still required as follows :—

For Barr.		No.	For Savars.		No.
Mysore ..	..	300	Hassan ..	..	25
Chikmagalur ..	..	127	Chikmagalur ..	..	25
Chitaldroog ..	..	100	Chitaldroog ..	..	25
		—	Tumkúr ..	.	25
	Total..	527	Kolar ..	.	25
				Total..	125

23. I now pass to the best mode of carrying out such repairs. I have twice already reported to the Chief Commissioner in my annual reports that the present system of constructing all military buildings and providing for the repairs thereof from agency at my own disposal, receiving advice and assistance from the Public Works Department, is a most unsatisfactory arrangement. I need not here refer further to it than to add that an additional difficulty is the fact that I have not been able to command the assistance from Executive Officers of the Public Works Department which I had wished and hoped for when the present arrangement for constructing the military buildings throughout the Province was finally decided upon. Executive Officers have too much work of their own to find time to attend to buildings in the construction or condition of which they have no interest, and consequently I find considerable difficulty in obtaining reports from Officers of the Department, and work is often very much delayed in consequence.

24. I therefore feel bound to report that unless the Public Works Department can aid me in some more substantial form, I cannot satisfactorily perform the task allotted me. I would myself recommend one of two alternatives. Either that the present system be retained, and an Officer of the Public Works Department specially appointed to the charge of all the military buildings in the Province to whom I could look for assistance, and by whom the Mestris would be supervised, or that the entire control of the buildings, their construction and their repair be transferred to the Public Works Department.

25. I venture to hope that the latter alternative may receive the sanction of the Chief Commissioner.

26. *Third.*—The best mode of guarding against the undue expenditure on account of repairs consequent on neglect.—Should the Government see fit to transfer the buildings to the Public Works Department, the continual supervision of the Executive Officer would tend to discourage neglect. Likewise would the periodical inspections which a special officer would annually perform. Besides this I would propose quarterly inspections by Regimental Officers, and monthly detailed reports by Troop and Company Officers of the condition of every house, which should be submitted to the Executive Engineer or special officer, who would personally see that the reports had been framed correctly and the inspections systematically carried out.

27. I must, in conclusion, confess that even should the Government feel disposed to adopt either of my suggestions there will always be a certain amount of wanton neglect on the part of the occupants, which, for want of European supervision, it will be difficult to prevent.

No. 10199—GENL. 2129, DATED BANGALORE, 28TH MARCH 1876.

ORDER THEREON.—The principal points submitted for decision in these papers relate to the agency by which the huts, stables and other buildings belonging to the Local Force shall be kept in repair, and the means best suited for carrying out the annual repairs of these buildings.

The Military Assistant estimates the cost of the annual maintenance-repairs of the Siledars' lines at Rs. 6 per hut, being Rs. 3,960 on aggregate per annum. This cost would be fully covered by the rent which is paid by the Siledars for their huts, at the rate of 8 annas per mensem or Rs 6 per annum, but an additional charge must be incurred in maintaining the conservancy establishment—the details of which are given marginally, and the total cost of which is estimated at Rs. 125 monthly or Rs. 1,500 per annum. Major Stewart recommends that an assignment to the extent of Rs. 1,540 might be made by the Government to aid the repair and conservancy funds under this head. As regards the Barr lines, the cost of keeping in repair 1,206 huts at the average rate of Rs. 6 per hut is estimated at Rs. 7,236. Deducting the amount collected on account of rent which is charged at the rate of 2 annas per h , *viz.*, Rs. 1,809, the total charges to be provided for ar ount to Rs. 5,427. No additional expenditure is incurr d on account of conservancy establishment.

At Bangalore.			
1 Overseer	...	... 20	
1 Cart	...	... 15	
4 Totis at Rs. 7		... 28	
			63
At Mysore.			
1 Overseer	...	... 10	
3 Totis at Rs. 7		... 21	
			31
At Shimoga.			
1 Overseer	...	... 10	
3 Totis at Rs. 7		... 21	
			31
Total per mensem Rs.....			125

The annual repairs of stables are estimated at Rs. 1,000 and of barracks or places of arms, Rs. 2,000. The aggregate amount thus proposed for the repairs of huts and military buildings is Rs. 9,967, or in round numbers, Rs. 10,000.

The Offg. Chief Commissioner considers however that the estimate may be reasonably reduced to the sums hereunder specified under the several heads, and that the aggregate of Rs. 6,500 should not be exceeded.

Siledar lines	1,000
Barr lines	4,000
Stables	700
Places of Arms	800
Total...	6,500

The construction and repair of military buildings have hitherto been carried out by contractors, over whom, when employed at up-country stations, the Military Assistant has been able necessarily to exercise very inadequate supervision. The Offg. Chief Commissioner concurs in the opinion that this arrangement cannot be continued, and that much of the outlay that has been incurred in re-construction of buildings has been due to want of effective control. So far as the ordinary construction and repairs of the buildings are concerned, the most suitable agency is undoubtedly that of the District Officers, the professional aid of the Executive Officers of the Public Works Department being obtained wherever necessary in the preparation of designs and estimates, and the Officiating Chief Commissioner directs that subject to the sanction of the Government of India, the sum of Rs. 6,500 be provided annually in the Provincial Budget Estimates for "Military Buildings" under the head IV. Construction and Repairs of Civil Buildings.

Offg. Secretary.

To—The Military Assistant. 2
„ Commissioners of Divisions. Sale
„ Secretary, Department Public Works. 5
„ Deputy Accountant General. 1

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From The Military Secretary.

To The Chief Commissioner.

Secretary to Chief Commissioner,
General Department.

Dated 6th September 1876.

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Received 8th Sept

ENCLOSURES NO 2

General No. 20 } 1876. 77.
P. W. No. 4

File I

Sent

Acknowledging the receipt of order No. 10124/2129 of the 28th October 1876, and requesting to be informed whether the Government Establishment has been sanctioned and whether the amount of Rupees 6,500 is for Rs. Rupees only.—

Military Assistant's Office

Bangalore 11th April 1876.

General No. 20

P.W.D. No. 4 } 1876 77

To,

The Officiating Secretary

to the Chief Commissioner

Sir,

In acknowledging receipt of Chief Commissioner's order No. 10194/2129 of the 28th March 1876, I have the honor to enquire, with reference to para 2, whether I am to conclude that the conservancy establishment, as recommended by me in my No. 849/88 dated 11th November 1875 to the Secretary on the Dept. Pub: Works, para 14 and as entered in the margin

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whether has been sanctioned, or whether I am to abide by the orders contained in your docket No. 8395/1924 of the 29th January last?

2. From the concluding para of the above order, I am informed that Rs 6,500 will be provided annually in the Provincial Budget Estimates of Military buildings under the head "IV Construction and repair of Civil buildings", but in my report on the Military buildings, No. and date as per margin, I calculated that the amount for repairs alone including conservancy would be Rs 9,964 - exclusive of the amount received credit of Repair and Stables Funds

8419/88 dated 11th Nov. 1875 to Secy. PWD. para 21

funds, Rs 1809 and Rs 3960 respectively I therefore beg to be informed whether I am correct in assuming that the Rs 6,500, which in para 3 of the above order the Chief Commissioner thinks the former sum may be reduced to, will be utilized exclusively for repairs, and also how far the above order affects my annual Budget in the P. W D for construction of buildings throughout the Province, which for 1876-77 amounts to

For construction of Huts and Place of Arms at Chikmoglur Rs 8,500
—Do— Apothecary's quarters and Hospital at Bangalore Rs 10,000
Minor Works ——— 1,500

Rupees — 20000

Rs 20,000 as per margen, and which is based upon the orgenal sanction,

sanction of the Government of India No. 12 B of the 4th January 1813 to an expenditure of Rs. 109,530 on Military buildings in this Province, and which it appears to me will be affected by the order herein referred to, unless the order be worded so as to provide for repairs to buildings only.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servt

R Stewart

Military Assistant.

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From The Military Assistant to Chief Commissioner

To Secretary to Chief Commissioner, General Department.

Dated Bangalore 14 June 1876.

Despatched ?

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ENCLOSURES NO. Nama

General No. 231
Pwd No. 22 } 1876-77

In acknowledgement of letter No. 2466/20 dated 10 inst. I am directed to request that his original proposal may be submitted to provide for the Lower Establishment from the Native Fund which does not require the Confirmation of Government of India.

The Govt of India have authorised the Govt. to sanction the Establishment. a Memorandum to that effect received.

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Public Works Office

Bangalore 14th June 1876

No. 231.
P.W.D. No. 22. } 1876-77

No.

From The Secretary
To The Chief Commissioner

Sir,

In acknowledging order No. 2466/20 dated 10th instant, I have the honor to remark that my original proposition in my letter No. 347/88 dated 11th November 1876 to the Secretary P W D was to provide for the Sewer pumping machinery establishment from the Stable funds, which does not appear to require the confirmation of the Govern-

-ment.

Spl No. 584
P.J. 198 1877.

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From The Military Assistant
to the Chief Commissioner.

To
Secretary to Chief Commissioner,
General Department.

Dated Quinquina 2nd May 1877.

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Received

ENCLOSURES NO. Non

General No. 79.
Genl. No. 33. } 1877-78.

Requires to be informed
whether the amount of the
Bridge Lights, repairs and
Miscellaneous Movable Fund
is to be struck off from the
accounts of this Department
as per Chief Commissioner's
Proceedings No. 77 dated 11th
April 1877, and Requests
instructions as to the Maint
nance of the conservancy
establishment.

5-5-77

Dr (G)

I think the Dy Asst
may be consulted before
passing orders on the reply
[illegible]
11/5/77

Colonial Secretary's Office
Inquiries 2nd May 1877

No. 79.
Naval No. 33.

Sir,

The Secretary to the
Royal Commissioners

I,

Adverting to your letter
of the 27th ult. you will be good enough to in-
form me whether the amount
of the Bank Drafts mentioned in Schedule
(Untitled) Funds is to be taken off from
the amount of the Investments, in
Chief Commissioner's Proceedings
etc. up to 31st April 1877.

2. The Commissioners established
by Government have hitherto
been maintained among the above
Funds as per Chief Commissioner's orders
of 24th of the 10th June 1876 and the re-
moval of the present arrangements of the
Funds from which they are
now to be maintained.

I have &c &c

Sd.
for the Most obedient Servant

Chief Secretary

Ll No 866
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From

The Deputy Accountant General
in Mysor

To

The Offg. Secretary to the Chief Commr.,
Duftes Department.

Dated 21

Despatched

Received do —

Enclosures. None

General No. 1652-
No.

Submitting a return of charges regarding the Conservancy Establishment for Sarah Lines

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The Mily Asst may be informed, in reply to his No 79 of 2nd May, that the Barr Lines Repair and Silledar Stable Fund may be struck off the accounts of this Deptt from 31st March last —

With regard to the Conservancy Estt, I find that in this Offs No 2466 of 10th June 1876 an Estt at a monthly cost of Rs 111, or Rs 1332 per annum was sanctioned subject to the approval of Govt; but, in para 9 of our letter to India No 2459 of 10 June, the estimated expenditure for repairs of Silledars' Lines with Conservancy Estt was stated to be Rs 1000. This sum has accordingly been sanctioned. Vide printed proc: No 3797 of 20 Nov, 76. No separate & application was made to India about the Conservancy Estt as remarked by the Secy on Mily Asst's letter No 231 of 14 June 76. As the cost of the Estt exceeds the Budget provision I think it wd

be necessary to ask the Govt to sanction 500 Rs more under the respective Mily Budget heads

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In para 5 of my letter No dated 10 June 76 (Pro of 28 Nov 76) the Estt Cost of the Conservancy Estt of the Silledar Lines was stated at Rs 1500. The actual charge at present is Rs 1332 per annum. The allot. of Rs 1000 ~~as per~~ ~~sanctioned~~ & the purpose was intended to represent the amount to be contributed by Govt, in dependently of the funds raised by the Silledars of Govt, as stated in para 5. These allots & para 9 are clearly wholly inadequate & meet the charges under the several heads, if, as seems contemplated by the D.A.G, in his letter of 23 March last, the sum of Rs 8500 is to defray all charges. An error has been committed in abolishing the Special funds connected with the Barr & Silledars, & I understand the case legally, the order passed in Pro of 11 April 1877 must be cancelled.

To Duftes for further explanation

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The order of 11th April cannot I beg to submit, be cancelled without the sanction of India to whom a report was made as to the transfer of the funds & this Civil Station from 1st April — Please see this Offs No 115 — of 14th Feby,

Dy. Asst. Accountant General's Office
Bangalore 21st May 1877

From

The Dy. Asst. Accountant General
in Mysore

To

The Secretary to the Chief Commr.
Duftar Department

Sir,

With reference to your docket
No. 363/167 without date forwarding for
my opinion copy of letter No. 79/33 of
the 2nd. May 1877 to your address relative
to the charge on account of the Conservancy Establishment for Lower lines,
I have the honor to state that the
cost of the Establishment was up to
the 31st. March 1877 charged to the
Silladar Stable Fund. From the 1st
April 1877 under the Chief Commissioners
Proceedings No. 77/19 dated 11th April 1877
the receipts of that and the "Barr
Repair Fund", and their balances
have been credited to Government. The
cost of the Establishment in question

should

should therefore be charged to Govern-
ment under Military Department."

I beg to invite attention to para
1 of Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No. 2466/20
dated 10th June 1876 and to enquire whether
the sanction of the Govt of India has been received to the
Establishment.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

J. Meadows
Deputy Commissariat General
in Mysore.

J.M.C.

Again in para 4 of
our letter to India No 2454
dt 10 June 76 (now dated) that the
expenditure on account of
"Silledars' Lines with Con-
servancy Establ" may be
reduced to Rs 1000 - to
that the sanctum of India
is necessary to the Extra
charge -

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